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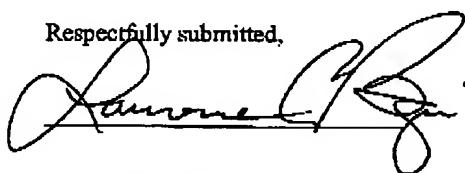
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Remarks

Applicant notes with appreciation the Examiner's indication that claims 1-23 are allowed.
To eliminate prosecutorial issues, claims 24-26 are cancelled without prejudice.

In view of the above amendments and remarks, the Applicant now believes the application to be in condition for allowance, and courteously solicits the same.

Respectfully submitted,



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